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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER It was a dry week with an abundance of sunshine. Temperatures averaged two to four degrees below normal for the week. It was warm across the State Tuesday and in the western half Wednesday with readings in the 70s and lower 80s; Saturday had temperatures in the upper 60s and lower 70s. The lowest temperatures occurred Monday morning with readings in the teens in the northwest to the lower 30s in the southeast.

CROPS Weather conditions were favorable for harvest of crops during the past week. Nearly 75 percent of the milo has been combined, which is well ahead of normal. Moisture content of the grain is generally low enough for storage but some drying has been necessary. Harvest of corn is well underway in most parts of the State with about 30 percent harvested, which is ahead of normal but a slower rate than last year when about 55 percent was out of the field. Less than 15 percent of the soybeans remain to be combined.

Moisture content of harvested corn and milo dropped one percentage point during the week. Corn was rated at an average of 19 percent and milo, 14 percent. A year ago, the 1963 rating was 16 percent for corn and 13 percent for sorghum grain.

Condition of winter wheat continued to show deterioration resulting from a lack of moisture. Rain is needed over all the State to relieve the dry conditions. The crop in the Panhandle has not made sufficient growth to withstand severe wind erosion during the winter months. In the eastern area, high spots in fields are starting to turn color and show a lack of moisture.

Sugar beet harvest is moving along with nearly 75 percent of the crop out of the field. There still remains a few fields of beans and potatoes to be harvested. Dry conditions are slowing harvest of beans.

Range and pasture feed is very dry and brittle and in some areas the supply of pasture feed is becoming short. Cattle are being moved into harvested fields of corn and milo and a good supply of fallen grain and forage will be provided.

LIVESTOCK Farm feedlots are now starting to fill as harvest nears completion in some areas and movement of stocker and feeder cattle from ranges has picked up seasonally. Weather conditions have been very favorable for saving young pigs. Dusty range feed has caused some respiratory troubles, particularly in young calves.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 26, 1964

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	0	Burwell	0	Chadron	0
Lincoln	0	North Platte	0	Imperial	0
Norfolk	0	Valentine	0	Scottsbluff	0
Omaha	0			Sidney	0
Sioux City	0				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 23, 1964

